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#### Senate and D. C. Appropriation Bill.

The District appropriation bill is now before the Senate appropriations subcommittee.

The legislative rider which it carries, repealing the half-and-half law, is the same in substance as last year's rider, the Johnson amendment.

The subcommittee and the full appropriations committee and the Senate by a vote of 46 to 20 last year rejected this rider.

The Senate debate last year shows clearly that the twenty votes for the rider were largely influenced by the representation that the half-and-half law was grossly unfair to the nation, that District residents were underassessed by hundreds of millions, were only half-taxed, were able to bear and should bear practically the whole expense of capital maintenance and upbuilding. Since last year's action the congressional joint fiscal committee has reported that the half-and-half law is no longer necessary to compel either nation or District residents to make adequate contribution toward capital upbuilding. The committee also finds that the Washingtonian is not underassessed, that as compared with the resident of comparable American cities he is not underassessed, that no more than his present tax burden should equitably be exacted from him; and that while the Washingtonian is contributing all he should toward capital upbuilding, more instead of less should be done by the nation, in response not only to the impulse of equity, but of enlarged patriotic pride in the nation's city.

The joint committee's report thus impressively concludes:

"Our unanimous conclusion is that the rate of taxation in the District should be fixed and certain; that the Congress should pursue a definite policy of regular and liberal appropriations, having in view not only the permanent moral and physical advancement of the city, but also its pre-eminent beauty and grandeur as the municipal expression of the nation's home and its people's pride."

This rider is in substance and effect the same as that urged last year on the ground that the half-and-half law was grossly unfair to the nation. The joint committee reports that the half-and-half law is absolutely fair to the nation.

Yet on the pretext of following this report, which cuts the foundation from under last year's rider, that hostile proposition is resurrected and vitalized in the pending bill.

This rider adopts only the destructive suggestions of the joint committee and ignores its constructive recommendations.

It destroys outright the old law for which the committee found no reason or necessity for continued existence and leaves chaos in its place.

It fails to provide by law fixed and certain local taxation along the lines urged by the joint committee. Such taxation is left uncertain and fluctuating. The pending bill adds to the local tax burden, by imposing additional special assessments in connection with street paving, new charges in connection with the aqueduct and a new tax on vaults under sidewalks. These local payments under the bill reduce correspondingly the nation's contribution, which the joint committee says is now too little.

The new organic act, by rider on appropriation bill, fails to provide in place of the repealed law the definite policy of regular and liberal appropriations by Congress, urged by the joint committee. The appropriations proposed, divorced from any definite policy, are irregular and illiberal.

If the joint committee had found that the half-and-half law was grossly unfair to the nation, and that the District resident was underassessed and undertaxed and shirking his proper capital contribution, the appropriation bill, with its cut of three and a half millions from the Commissioners' estimates, its new tax exactions from local residents, and its rider unconditionally repealing the half-and-half law, would hardly have been differently worded.

How, then, can it be maintained that this bill is in accord with the findings, the letter and the spirit of the joint committee's report? Will Congress, which rejected this rider when many thought of feared that the half-and-half arrangement was unfair to the nation, adopt the rider after the law has been demonstrated to be fair?

Will not those friends of the District in Congress who would repeal the half-and-half law in order that the nation might do more than at present for the upbuilding of the capital vigorously oppose a repeal which reduces at once the national contribution by millions and clearly points to the ultimate withdrawal of that contribution?

In the words of the unanimous expression of the Board of Trade:

"The opinion of the joint committee that the half-and-half law is no longer necessary as a self-imposed obligation to keep Congress up to the mark of a half-contribution does not overrule the other findings of the report, and does

not that opinion be well founded. And the committee's opinion on the subject may be erroneous."

Certainly the half-and-half law was needed in the last Congress to prevent double taxation of the District and to ward off bankruptcy. Is it not still needed? If there is doubt on the subject should not that doubt be resolved in favor of the District, since the half-and-half law is fair and by continued existence injures no one?

#### A Riot of Roobacks.

Today it is the field against Hughes, with all the features incidental to such a case. Inventions, and misrepresentations of facts, calculated to injure the Hughes boom are current in clouds. Chicago is rioting in that sort of gossip, and the country tingles with the telegraphic intelligence.

Sample questions by the anti-Hughes contingent: "Who knows where this man stands? Who is authorized to say that he will accept, if nominated? If we nominate him and he declines, what chance of success will remain under our other leadership? What sort of blind alley is this we are invited to enter?"

Sample comments on sentiments expressed in favor of Justice Hughes: "I thought he was not a candidate. I don't like this huggermugger. If he wants the nomination and will make the race, let him say so, either over his signature, or through some friend with authority to speak. He ought to give us, too, a statement of his views up to date on the leading issues, particularly preparedness and the tariff."

Sample inventions: When Mr. Taft was recently in Washington he had a long conference with Justice Hughes, urged him to announce himself and pledged him support. This yarn was promptly denied by Mr. Taft, but it is still on duty. The object is plain enough. Returned bull moosers, still sensitive on the subject of 1912, are asked to regard Justice Hughes as the Taft candidate.

Invention number two: Former Postmaster General Hitchcock, a Hughes man, is represented as having spent months in the south rounding up delegates for his favorite. The object of this yarn is to prejudice delegates from those sections where there is a real republican party against the man accused thus of looking for the nomination to the section where the party is barren. Mr. Hitchcock declares that he has not been south of Washington for a long time, but has been in the east and west sounding sentiment, and has found in both sections strong sentiment for Hughes.

"When you have no case, abuse the other side," the young lawyer learns from a cynical observation current in his profession. "When all else appears to be failing, start roobacks," the young politician is told. "Never mind about contradictions. Keep up the industry, and some of the roobacks will stick. It's like throwing mud, you know."

During the remaining seven days the yarn-spinners will work overtime; and maybe the Hughes boom, instead of being injured, will be benefited. The quantity will impair the quality of the production, and the truth will break through the meshes.

Valuable programs were stolen in large numbers from the Shakespeare festival in New York. It seems impossible to separate Shakespeare from suspicions of literary skulduggery.

Actors are going to affiliate with the recognized labor unions. Ordinary genius has its difficulties. Non-union genius will stand no show at all.

The Kaiser is said to have given a motorman \$250 after a short ride. The imperial idea as to a reasonable street car fare will never become popular.

One advantage of the public kitchens in German cities will be the discouragement they offer to the man who is in the habit of complaining about his food.

The republican slogan at Chicago is apparently, "One more fight among ourselves and then let's all be friends."

**The Vote for More Submarines.**

Yesterday's action by the House, in committee of the whole, in increasing the number of submarines provided for by the naval appropriation bill from twenty to fifty is to be attributed directly to the conviction of the effectiveness of this marine weapon in warfare, as demonstrated in the course of the war in Europe. Nothing has been more pronounced than the proof that of all the modern devices for destruction the submarine is the most successful. It has dominated the maritime conflict. Not alone in the destruction of commerce, but in the shaping of naval strategy has the submarine played a most important part. There is no telling what would have been the course of the contending powers in northern waters, but for the presence of submarines, menacing the largest vessels of war and compelling the adoption of measures for protection which only a few years ago would have been deemed unnecessary.

It is evident from the House vote in committee that a pronounced desire exists to equip the American navy with submarines so that it will be powerful in offense. Forecasts of war events on the hypothesis of an attack upon these shores by a foreign foe have laid stress upon the vital necessity of keeping the enemy from reaching bombardment range of the coast. It has been frequently asserted that a defensive fleet, to accomplish this purpose, must be provided with a numerous flotilla of submarines, for scouting as well as destroying purposes, serving as a screen against too close an approach to battle formation. The submarine is, as a rule, limited in its range to operations within a certain distance from shore, but in the event of a wide deployment of the defensive naval force to prevent the approach of a hostile fleet the undersea craft could in all but the most violent

weather be attached to floating bases, the main fleet including "mother" craft or tenders for the supply of the smaller submarines.

Yesterday's vote is an encouragement. It indicates that the bill that came from the House committee will be enlarged in the successive processes of passage. The prevailing disposition is to strengthen it, rather than weaken it, and on the foundation laid down by the original measure a naval enlargement will be insured of proportions approximating the national need.

#### British Civilian Losses.

A statement made in the British house of commons gives the total number of casualties due to the various German air and sea raids upon the English territory.

In three attacks from the sea and forty-four air raids 2,166 persons have been killed or wounded, 550 losing their lives. Of the dead 267 were women and children and 283 were men. Of the men who were killed only a very small percentage were soldiers or sailors.

These figures show the futility of such attacks, as well as the inhumanity. The promiscuous killing of women and children cannot possibly be of advantage to the enemy. Rather has this slaughter of the innocents served England instead of Germany, for after each attack from air or sea the recruiting has advanced and the British army has been fired with a fresh determination to fight to the utmost.

The killing of non-combatants, and especially of women and children, is excusable only when in the course of attacks upon fortified places and bases of supplies and centers of communication. The German sea and air raids, however, have not appeared to be so conducted. The Zeppelins have flown over the channel and made for the cities and there dropped their bombs promiscuously, in the chance, doubtless, of hitting something of military value, but so far as known, with very little effect upon the British fighting organization. No losses have been inflicted upon the British army or navy commensurate with the sacrifices thus entailed upon the civilian population.

There has been a noticeable slackening of the air and sea attacks upon England, whether because they have become more hazardous or because it is realized in Germany that they are futile must be left to conjecture. It is to be hoped that whatever the motive, the authorities at Berlin have decided to suspend this form of warfare, so needlessly wasteful of human life, and so cruel in its results.

Odds of 40 to 1 are being offered against Henry Ford's candidacy. The peace navy will regard this as another of the insidious inequities of Wall street.

In the event of a universal agreement to avoid war it may be necessary to whip some low-down nation that keeps trying to break its contract.

Carranza has managed to get remarkable results from his policy of treating Villa with lofty disdain.

A brief platform is expected at Chicago. Any omissions can easily be supplied by the campaign oratory.

#### SHOOTING STARS.

BY PHILANDER JOHNSON.

**Prudent Consideration.**

"Who is the favorite son in your state?"

"We haven't any," replied Senator Sorghum. "If we like anybody we're not going to hurt his chances by making a favorite son of him. We're going to hold him out for a dark horse."

#### Solitude.

"Of course, you admire the dove of peace."

"Very much. But I don't know whether I care to see it flourishing around under present perilous conditions and running the risk of becoming extinct."

#### A Band Wagon Chaser.

He doesn't read and think, nor mix Where learned minds their work begin On subjects problematic.

He regulates his politics By guessing who is like to win And votes for him, emphatic.

#### Psychology of Food.

"Very few men are successful chafing dish cooks."

"No," commented Mr. Growcher. "You haven't any hesitation about telling a man what you think of a so-called Welsh rabbit. But if a good-looking woman cooked it, you'd eat it and want more than your share."

#### Modernizing a Municipality.

"Stranger," said Broncho Bob, "which city out east do you figure has the most graft in it?"

"I wouldn't like to say off-hand. Why do you want to know?"

"Well, Crimson Gulch has just elected a mayor. He's mighty popular an' there ain't enough regular wages goes with the job to make it worth his while. The boys wouldn't stand for no rough work in the way of his helpin' himself, but they wouldn't mind somethin' neat an' reg'lar in the way of a rake-off or a kitty, such as they've been, in a way, used to. So we want to send a commission to some town to study high-class graft so's we kin fix him up proper an' comfortable."

#### The Day.

If the day is cheerless, Bid it speed along. Keep a heart all fearless Beating swift and strong. Do not entertain it Singing doleful lays. Think as you disdain it. There are other days.

If the day is smiling, Cherish it with care. Let a song beguiling Linger in the air. Let the golden splendor Never disappear. But, a memory tender, Linger through the year.

# Woodward & Lothrop

New York—WASHINGTON—Paris.

## The Sports Season Finds Us Displaying Many Clever Styles in Women's Sports Clothes.

The sports or out-of-door clothes are here in greater variety than ever before; brighter colors, smarter fashions, more original creations than we have ever seen. The enthusiasm for sports apparel extends to all lines—apparel that is in perfect harmony with the many activities afield.

THE FINEST AND MOST FASHIONABLE GARMENTS FOR TENNIS, GOLFING, COUNTRY CLUB, VERANDA, BEACH, MOUNTAINS, MOTORING, YACHTING, CANOEING, TRAMPING, ETC.

Women have welcomed the vogue for the picturesque and the unusual modes of which have been created, and it is our pleasure to invite you to a very comprehensive display.

#### Sports and Outing Suits

Silk Jersey Suits.

Wool Jersey Suits.

Checked Velour Suits.

Consolidated Suits.

Scottish Tweed and Homespun Suits.

The new stripes in Silkenfells fabrics, and the smart plain colors and combinations.

Khaki Kool Cloth Suits.

Consolidated Suits.

Palm Beach Cloth and Fancy Eponge Suits.

Every plain color and fancy effect that fashion demands is here.

**\$18.75 to \$45.00.**

#### Sports Dresses

Stripes in the broad and daring designs, made straight, on the bias and in circular effects; combinations of plain colors and stripes. Smocked Dresses, in the loose coat effects with belts, sash and large sailor collars; in linen and voile of bright colors. Silk and washable materials in an infinite variety.

**\$6.75 to \$35.00.**

#### Sports Blouses

Natural Shantung and Pongee Blouses, embroidered, fancy stitched and plain styles; \$2.95 to \$5.75. Colored Striped Silk Blouses, in tailored and semi-tailored styles, with high or low collars; \$2.95 to \$5.75. Japanese Silk Blouses, in flesh, white and green; featuring frilled, tucked and plain styles; \$3.25 to \$3.75.

#### Sports Sweaters

Plain Colored Fiber Silk Sweaters, in Copenhagen, rose, gold and Kelly green; especially good value at \$10.75; other models from \$6.00 to \$7.50. Striped Fiber Silk Sweaters, in various combinations and latest designs; \$6.00 and \$7.50. Light-weight Shetland Wool Sweaters, in navy blue and lavender; \$8.00; striped in combinations of black and white, topaz blue and white, and lavender and white; \$10.75.

Third floor, G street.

#### Sports Skirts

Plain colors in jersey silk are most effective, and also the wool jersey; awning stripes and two and three toned stripes in silkenfells and washable fabrics; corduroy in beautiful colors of rose, green, purple, Copenhagen and white. Cotton and Linen Sports Skirts, in white, the prevailing plain colors and smart stripes. Cotton and Linen Skirts, \$2.00 to \$10.00. Wool and Silk Skirts, \$5.75 to \$25.00.

#### Sports Coats

Belted, full flare, slip-on and semi-fitted models. Beautiful natural colored cool pongee and shantung silks, soft silk jersey and the fashionable rajah and taffeta silks; also Palm Beach, Poirer twill, mohair, stockinette, velours, corduroys, checks, mixtures, chinchillas, white corduroy and chinchilla are very effective.

**\$5.75 to \$47.50.**

#### New Bathing Suits

Take their fashions from dresses; semi-empire and Russian coat effects; accordion plaited and full flaring; some very picturesque fashions are seen. They are of jersey, mohair, silk, poplin and taffeta; plain colors, stripes and combinations; new modes in Bathing Millinery.

**\$2.75 to \$16.75.**

#### Sports Styles in Hats, Shoes, Hosiery, Parasols and all the accessories of women's dress are shown in greatest profusion and with regard for every one's choice.



## Handkerchief Linen Blouses for Sport and Dress Wear.

You will find Handkerchief Linen Blouses here in great profusion, the beautiful plain colors and the artistic combinations for sport and daily wear. They have either convertible or flat collars and fancy or turn-back cuffs; **\$2.95 to \$5.75.**

Organdy Blouses, showing the large, new, flat collars; **\$2.95 to \$5.75.**

Attractive and Sheer White Voile Blouses, trimmed with French valenciennes and venice laces, and many with dainty sprays of hand embroidery; **\$2.25 to \$7.50.**

Wash Net Blouses, in plain and fancy styles with frills, embroidery and tucks as trimming; **\$2.25 to \$5.75.**

Third floor, G street.

## A Variety of Smart and Stylish New Models in BON TON AND ROYAL WORCESTER CORSETS.

From the diversity of models we display in Bon Ton and Royal Worcester Corsets it should be easy for women desiring either of these makes to secure a suitable selection. These Corsets have unquestioned merit, else they could never have attained the popularity that they enjoy.

The figure lines in both of them are beautiful and are designed to improve your appearance, emphasizing every good point of your figure.

We are displaying the best and latest models in these two makes, in batiste, coutil and broche. Experience has proven that these are absolutely high-grade and practical corsets.

**Bon Ton, \$3.00 to \$5.00 Pair.**  
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Third floor, Eleventh street.

## SOFT NAINSOOK SLIPS FOR THE BABY.

These Slips are all handmade and consequently the work on them is very fine and painstaking; it is handwork that is distinguished by even, smooth stitches and fine sewing. Bishop-style Nainsook Slips, finished with lace edge; **\$1.50.** Handmade Nainsook Dresses, with yokes of tucks and featherstitching, and neck and sleeves edged in lace; **\$1.75.** Handmade Nainsook Slips, with yoke of fine tucks, featherstitching and embroidery sprays; neck and sleeves edged in lace; **\$2.50.** Nainsook Dresses, tucked, featherstitched and embellished with embroidered dots to form yoke; neck and sleeves edged in lace; **\$2.75.** Fine Nainsook Handmade Dresses, with shirred and featherstitched neck and sleeves, and dainty beading and ribbon trimming; **\$3.50.**

Third floor, F street.

## Wizard Mop, Polish and Duster at the Very Low Price of \$1.00. A Regular \$1.75 Value.

The regular selling price of these three articles combined is \$1.75; Polish Mop is 75c; Bottle of Wizard Polish at 50c and a Handle Duster at 50c. The Mop is of good size, already treated with Polish; the Polish is the splendid Wizard Oil Polish, suitable for all kinds of woodwork and floors and the finest furniture; it is not sticky and greasy and does not attract and hold dust; the Duster is a wool duster for furniture, that is chemically treated, and it picks up every particle of dust that it touches; excellent for dusting woodwork, large pieces of furniture, etc., and uncalled for business places and public institutions.

The 50c Wizard Polish  
The 75c Wizard Mop  
The 50c Handle Duster } **All For \$1.00.**

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- 4 Fine Band Records,
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**Sheraton Design Tea Cart,** with rubber-tired wooden artillery wheels; removable glass tray and underneath shelf with rim. Very fine. Special price, **\$12.50.** Others up to \$20.00.

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**Solid Mahogany Tea Cart,** with rubber-tired wooden artillery wheels; removable glass tray and underneath shelf with rim. Very fine. Special price, **\$12.50.** Others up to \$20.00.